

MEASURES OF TERRITORY SLOW

Hawaiians Take Up Some Important Matters.

(Mail Special to the Advertiser.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., March 28.—Hawaiians here are becoming impatient over delays in the passage of territorial bills. The electric light and gas franchise bills are both now favorably reported to the Senate and House. Everything is waiting for the action of the House. Efforts there to bring up the electric bill have been blocked by objections but these may be overcome at any time. If the objections prevail for a while, the opportunity will improve after the present week, when the House will have practically completed its appropriation bills for this session. With the appropriation bills out of the way, there will be time to consider other matters.

Possibly before this letter is half way across the continent the franchise bills will be disposed of. As soon as the House acts there will probably be no difficulty in getting the sanction of the Senate. Mr. Foraker has already given notice over there of his wish to bring up those bills, but appropriation bills, too, are occupying the most of the time of the Senate just at present. Friday last Mr. Robinson, of Ind., brought up the electric bill and asked unanimous consent for its consideration but Mr. Maddox, of Georgia, objected because it was so late in the day. The following day Mr. Robinson brought the bill up again but objection was made by Mr. Underwood, of Alabama, and Mr. Payne, of New York, the latter having been one of those who made a bitter fight against the bill when it was first presented in the House weeks ago. If consideration by unanimous consent is refused it may be possible to find some other way, perhaps by a special rule or during some suspension day, which occurs once a month.

The prompt action of the Senate Committee on Pacific Islands and Porto Rico on the franchise bills was particularly gratifying to those who are here pressing them. That committee met last week, having Hon. W. O. Smith, Mr. William Haywood, Mr. George B. McClellan, Mr. D. L. Withington, and others present. There was a brief explanation of the bills, following which they were ordered favorably reported. The Senators of the Committee promptly comprehended the measures before them. After some discussion it was agreed to adopt the two bills, substantially as amended by the House Committee on Territories, but the electric bill was changed so as to make the maximum charge for service 20 cents, instead of 17 cents, as fixed by the House Committee. The price of gas was fixed at \$2.50, instead of \$2.25, as fixed by the House Committee. A change was also made in the provision, allowing the courts to determine at any time what is a reasonable price for either of those utilities so that the language will be that power is hereby conferred upon the courts of appropriate general jurisdiction, "the word 'general' having been inserted.

Senator Blackburn, of Kentucky, was delegated to draw the report on the electric bill and Senator Foraker drew the report on the gas bill. Both these reports are substantially an embodiment of the House reports on the same bills. Hon. W. O. Smith, who has been here now several weeks, is very anxious to return to Honolulu, and had hoped to leave Washington today. He has been delayed by the failure of the House to act upon the electric bill. He has naturally become somewhat impatient over the long delay, but during his stay here has been able to perform much valuable service for the islands, outside of the work that specially brought him here.

Delegate Kalaniana'ole and Mr. McClellan went to the War Department Saturday, where they had a conference with Secretary Taft, about a confirmation by Congress of right of way through the military reservation at Kahauiki for the Oahu Railway and Land Company. The secretary has favorably recommended to both houses of Congress the confirmation of such a grant, which is regarded as a good step forward.

FORTIFICATIONS BILL.

Mr. Smith and Mr. Haywood, as well as others here, have been active in securing a favorable action on the item of \$520,000 in the Fortifications Bill, as it passed the Senate, for fortifications on the Hawaiian Islands. They saw Representative Lattauer, of New York, the leading conferee on the part of the House, recently. He told them that it was useless to hope for more than \$300,000, which was the sum agreed to by the House, when the bill was under consideration there. But the prospects are good that a provision for that amount will be allowed to remain in the bill. Mr. Smith, Mr. Haywood and Mr. McClellan have been very industrious in urging an appropriation for fortifications from the time the subject was brought in the House. Had it not been for them, the appropriation would probably have failed altogether, as there was no disposition to press it in the Senate Committee on Appropriations.

MILITARY POST.

Delegate Kalaniana'ole and Gen. H. McCallan, representing the Hawaiian Association, met the Secretary of War by appointment on Friday last to present the matter of a permanent military post for Honolulu with barracks and other necessary equipment for the island.

Secretary Taft expressed his personal interest in the matter, due in part to the opportunity he had of visiting Kahauiki as he passed through Honolulu; he then referred the gentlemen to General Chaffee, Chief of the General Staff, which passes on all such matters and makes recommendations to the Secretary of War.

The Delegate and Mr. McClellan met General Chaffee by appointment this morning, and were informed that the General Staff had recommended immediate acquisition of the Kahauiki leases, if they can be secured at a reasonable figure. This means that unless some of the leaseholders of Kahauiki should, by asking an excessive price, compel condemnation proceedings, construction work on a permanent post at Kahauiki will be begun during this summer. The War Department are recommending a special appropriation of \$87,000 for this purpose, but even should that fail funds will be available from the general appropriation for barracks and quarters to make a beginning of the work.

General Chaffee also intimated to his visitors, in answer to a question, that the old army quarters now used by the Depot Quartermaster fronting on Hotel street, would probably be available for a militia armory as soon as the Kahauiki buildings can be erected, although this is not in any sense a promise or official statement of the General Staff.

Mr. Smith has done all that could be done for the protection of Hawaiian interests on the Philippine Shipping bill. As already known in Honolulu, the bill has passed the Senate and been favorably reported to the House by the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries, but it will not go into effect till July 1, 1905. There is no doubt of the passage of the bill by the House and its ultimate enactment into law.

Delegate Kalaniana'ole said today that it was hopeless to expect any legislation here for Hawaii at this session, outside of the two franchise bills. "I have a big stack of letters from various men, prominent in official life here," said the Delegate today, "stating some of the reasons why no such legislation can be had now. I wanted to have this in black and white and will show the letters when I get back to Honolulu. I have had some hopes of getting the bill for the construction of a revenue cutter for the islands passed, but there is nothing but delay in the House Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, where it is being considered. The bill passed the Senate several weeks ago. Every time I go to Col. Hepburn, the chairman of the House Committee, he tells me he is trying to get the members of the committee to take it up but they have been trying to get Col. Hepburn to take it up, and there you are. I know that Representative Cushman, of Washington State, one of the members of that committee, has tried more than once to get the bill considered."

DELEGATE KUHIO AND SPALDING.
A report was printed in the Washington Times a few days ago that the Delegate contemplates resigning from Congress and will not come here for the short session next winter. He said today that there is no truth in such a report. "I do not know where they could have gotten such an idea," said the Delegate. "There is no truth in it whatever."

Representative Spaulding, of North Dakota, chairman of the subcommittee in charge of the county bill, still professes ability to bring that measure out and report it favorably to the House. It is not believed, however, that he will succeed. "I expect to have favorable action from the subcommittee within a few days," said Mr. Spaulding today. "We have been slow getting together because of the absence of members from town."

"I have consented to drop my bill to amend the organic law of the territory as to franchises," added Mr. Spaulding, "because of several obstacles to such legislation. The chief of these is that there are no town or county governments in the territory and individuals would have no place to go for charters, if the law was amended, as I proposed in my bill."

NO MITCHELL LEGISLATION.

Nowadays one never hears anything about the legislation proposed by the Mitchell commission, that visited Hawaii over a year ago. The commission undoubtedly accomplished a great deal in securing information about the islands but it does not appear that the recommendations are likely to be adopted to any extent. As the plans of federal legislation for the islands unfold in years to come the Mitchell report will be of value for consultation in committee and for reference in debate. As next session is the short session of Congress, it will be too crowded for much of anything in the way of general legislation for the islands.

The nomination of Collector of Customs Stackable for another term was followed by prompt confirmation in the Senate. The President acted quickly on the recommendation of Gov. Carter, although the term does not expire for several weeks yet. There is good reason for believing that the President will also renominate most, if not all the territorial judges, whose terms soon expire.

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BURNS AND CUTS.—Slight injuries of this character are of frequent occurrence in almost every household. While they are not dangerous, except when blood poisoning results from the injury, they are often quite painful and annoying. They can be quickly healed by applying Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It stays the pain almost instantly and heals the injured parts without matter being formed, which insures a cure in one-third the time that the usual treatment would require. It is the most perfect preparation in use for burns, scalds, cuts, bruises and like injuries. It should be applied with a feather and before the parts become swollen if possible. For sale by all druggists and Dealers. Beware, Smith & Co. Ltd. Agents for Hawaii.

A delightful dance was given on Saturday evening at the Young Men's Association, in honor of Mrs. J. J. Smith, who was the guest of honor. The dance was given by the Hawaiian band.

MURDERER OF GLENNAN CONVICTED FIRST DEGREE

(Special Wireless Telegram to the Advertiser.)
NAWILIWILI, April, 9.—Matsumoto Moritaro has been convicted of murder in the first degree, for the killing of Glennan.

The crime of which Moritaro has been found guilty was one of the foulest in the history of the Hawaiian Islands.

Arthur Glennan, a civil engineer in charge of the Makaweli plantation ditch, was murdered while asleep in his bed, by being blown up with dynamite, on the night of Friday, January 8, 1904. The dynamite was placed under his bed and ignited by a fuse leading to it from the outside of the tent. Glennan was thrown across the tent, which was totally wrecked and set on fire. His left thigh was crushed and he was otherwise mangled. H. C. Smalley, his assistant, arriving within a few minutes carried Glennan to his own room. He left him there to ride two miles to the nearest telephone, the authors of the outrage having cut the wires of Glennan's camp telephone. At the telephone he was advised by the doctor called up to bring Glennan to Waimea if he still lived, and then he engaged a spring wagon to meet Glennan at the end of the trail, but when he returned in forty minutes from the start Glennan was dead. He was 32 years of age and unmarried, his father and mother surviving him at Redwood City, California. Mr. Glennan was esteemed by Mr. O'Shaughnessy, superintendent engineer of the work, as a thoroughly efficient and trustworthy man, of good habits and character.

No time was lost by Sheriff J. H.

Coney of Kauai in prosecuting investigations of the diabolical murder, as there seemed no room for a theory of accident. He had the police arrest every Japanese having no apparent means of livelihood and held them for investigation. Chester A. Doyle, the Japanese interpreter, was sent for to conduct the examination of the prisoners. Doyle succeeded with a sweatbox process in obtaining four men who confessed that they knew the man who had committed the murder. They said he had escaped to Honolulu. W. H. Rice, Jr., was sent here to look for the man and with the aid of a Japanese detective identified Matsumoto Moritaro, working on Honolulu plantation, as the person wanted. The fellow was taken to Kauai, where he made a confession that he had lighted the fuse which set off eight sticks of dynamite and a quantity of giant powder in Glennan's tent. From the evidence given at the preliminary examination of Moritaro at Lihue, it appeared that he secured the explosives from workmen in the Makaweli tunnel, also that he cut the telephone wire with a chisel before exploding the murderous charge. He had run two hundred yards from the tent before the explosion came after he lighted the fuse.

Matsumoto Moritaro was brought to Oahu prison on February 10 for safe-keeping pending his trial by jury at the present Kauai term. There was some delay reported in the trial this week, owing to the ruling that Doyle was disqualified as interpreter from his having been the detective who secured the incriminating evidence.

THREE CORNERED FIGHT FOR REPUBLICAN DELEGATESHIP

There is to be the hardest kind of a fight before the delegates to the Republican National Convention are named next Monday. The other islands may decide on their candidates before they come to the convention, but in Honolulu there will be a three cornered fight for the honor of representing the Territory in the National council, which will nominate Roosevelt for President.

A. G. M. Robertson is the latest candidate for convention honors, he having entered the lists only last week, after a declaration that he would not be a candidate. W. H. Hoogs and R. W. Breckons are the only other candidates for delegate in the Fourth, and if the intention to allow each district but one representative on the delegation is carried out, two of the candidates will have to go as alternates or not at all. Hoogs so far seems to be in the lead, having the prestige of an instructed delegation from his own precinct, although Robertson expects to win out in the convention. On the other hand Breckons has been doing some good work, and has a strong delegation in the Fourth precinct.

There is some talk also of giving Oahu more than the two delegates, as she has half the voices in the convention. One proxy from outside will give Oahu the control of the meeting, although there is no apparent intention to cut out the other islands. Maui, which has had Home Rule tendencies since the county election, may not get a man on the delegation, although Senator Dickey and Judge Kalua are being mentioned for the place. Hawaii and Kauai have not made their preferences known as yet, although it is pretty well understood that Governor Carter will be delegate at large, if he wants to go to Chicago. Senator McCandless also is assured of being the representative of the Fifth district, provided the choice is made by districts. The probabilities are that some of the disappointed ones will have to go along with the delegation only as alternates.

KUPIHEA BOBS UP WITH THE STEWART RESOLUTION

Kupihea was the man picked by McCants Stewart to bring in his Home Rule resolution for a county law commission. It was Kupihea who gave notice of the county bill in the morning, and it was Kupihea who attempted to introduce a joint resolution along the lines of the Stewart-Avery resolution which was turned down in the Ninth Precinct of the Fifth District Wednesday evening. Kupihea got up just at the close of Saturday morning's session of the House and asked permission to present a joint resolution. The Republican members were prepared for the little game. Kupihea had hardly time to utter the words before Aylett was on his feet with a motion to adjourn. And adjourn the House did, with a rush which took the Home Ruler's breath away. Kupihea still has Stewart's resolution in his pocket and will try to get it through again today.

The resolution calls for the appointment of a commission of five persons to draw up a county act for presentation to the regular session of the legislature. The commission is to be selected, one by Governor Carter, two by the President of the Senate and two by the Speaker of the House.

"Mandy, I've rec'lect how Henry Wiggins used to play marbles all the time when he was a little feller?" "Goodness, yes." "Well, he baint got over his bankerin' after 'em yet; this piece in the paper 'bout millionaires' houses says he has one of the finest collections of Italian marbles in the hull world."—Brooklyn Life.

Towne—"Hear what Sniffkins did when the collection plate came 'round to him in church last Sunday?" Brown—"No. Dropped a button in. I suppose." Towne—"Not even that. He leaned over and whispered: 'I paid the pastor's fare in the car yesterday morning. We'll call it square.'"—Philadelphia Press.

"Experience, you know, is a good teacher." "Yes, but I wish there were more vacations in that school."—Chicago Post.

TELEGRAMS FROM COAST FILES

(Mail Special to the Advertiser.)
TUNA, Thibet, April 2.—The small British losses in the recent battle are accounted for by the fact that the Thibetans were so huddled together that the majority were unable either to use their swords or to fire. The swordsmen in the front rank could not reach the Sikhs, who had fixed bayonets, while the men in the middle of the mob could not reach the enemy, but many of them probably killed each other in the mad excitement. The scene recalled old time fights in cockpits, the grim, determined faces of the Thibetans, lighted with devilish savagery, expressing contempt for the Sikhs, whom they outnumbered six or seven to one.

When the H'assa General fired the first shot the Thibetans with wild shouts drew their swords, fired their matchlocks and surged forward. About a dozen swordsmen made a desperate attempt in the direction of Colonel MacDonald and a small knot of officers. Four Thibetans attacked Mr. Candler, the correspondent of the London Daily Mail, but Colonel MacDonald seized a rifle and shot down two of them at a few yards, and another officer killed the other two, thus saving Mr. Candler's life. Those of the Thibetans who tried to climb the wall were met with a terrible magazine rifle fire, but they did not falter, those behind springing over the heaps of dead and continuing the fight until riddled with bullets. When finally the Thibetans retired they tramped back slowly and steadily, though followed by a hail of bullets. A mountain battery was brought into action and tore the retreating lines with shrapnel. A terrible trail of dead and dying marked the line of march. At length the last wounded and limping Thibetans turned the corner, some 400 yards from the scene of the grim tragedy where the best of the Thibetan army had perished.

DIDN'T KNOW THEIR BIBLE.

BALTIMORE, April 2.—President Remsen and the faculty of Johns Hopkins University have examined eighty of the students of the university on their knowledge of the Bible, bringing out the fact that only one of the eighty could identify two quotations from the Scriptures and he is studying for the ministry. A newspaper editorial was chosen which contained two Biblical references, one referring to the Ethiopian eunuch, his skin and the other the shadow moving backward on the dial. The editorial was read to the class and its members were asked to tell whence the quotations were taken with the result noted.

THE WORLD NO BETTER.

NEW YORK, April 2.—Although there is more religion in the world than ever before, there is less in proportion to the need that exists; consequently, according to Rev. Montague Geer, the world has not become a whit better since the crucifixion of Christ. This sentiment was expressed by the Rev. Mr. Geer while conducting services in St. Paul's Chapel. If the churches had done their full duty, he declared, there would have been no war in the Far East. The two nations now at odds were, he asserted, the "unfinished business of the church."

RENOUNCES A FORTUNE.

DENVER, April 2.—Dr. William A. Harroun of this city has renounced all claim to a fortune of \$1,180,000, left by his father's brother in Kilkenny, Ireland. In doing this he gives his sister, Mrs. J. M. Lewis, of Portland, Maine, the sole right to the money. Dr. Harroun gives as his reason for refusing the fortune that he wishes to have nothing he does not earn by his own efforts.

The inheritance came to Dr. Harroun because he is the only heir of James A. Harroun, who died a few weeks ago in Kilkenny, Ireland. He was the last of Dr. Harroun's father's brothers, and, according to an agreement before the elder Harrouns parted, whatever either should leave at death would go to the oldest son of the other or to whomsoever he should designate. The property consists of land and cash.

LANDSLIDE IN NEW YORK.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., April 2.—Inhabitants in the vicinity of Devil's Hole, near Dansville, Livingston county, have been terrified over a big landslide occasioned by some subterranean phenomena as yet unexplained. The slide was accompanied by the sound of a muffled explosion which appeared to come from the earth. No material damage is reported.

In 1796 a large stream of water burst from the east hill, hurling rocks weighing hundreds of pounds high in the air, and causing a rent in the mountains, known as Devil's Hole. Since then there has been a tradition that the place conceals the mouth of an extinct volcano.

THE BURTON CASE.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., April 2.—The bill of exceptions to be filed by the defense in the steps to be taken to secure a rehearing of the case of United States Senator Burton of Kansas, was not submitted to the Government this morning. United States District Attorney Dyer said to the Associated Press: "I expect to receive the bill of exceptions before the day is over. I intend to go through it very thoroughly and it may be Tuesday before it is formally filed with the court. Senator Burton, or his proxy, does not report to the court daily. Of course, that was not regular order of the court, but we know he is in the city and will come into court any time he is summoned."

Attorney F. W. Lehmann, for the defense, said the bill of exceptions would be completed and submitted to the Government today.

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